

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So...thank you. So what is all this for? Wasting time and buying time. Since a game is being played, and I enjoy playing this kind of game, I'm going to join you in it. But when it is over, you are going to see the futility of it all, the nonsense of it all and you will be saying, when we get down to a few days, why did we get to these few days with so little time left, because of what we are doing now on this issue, which is not one designed to benefit the public at large but certain very narrowly defined special interest groups who can pull more chains than "Marley Kerrey," Senator DeCamp, in The Christmas Carol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. Clerk, you have something you want to put in?

CLERK: Mr. President, Health and Human Services will hold an Executive Session now underneath the balcony. Health and Human Services.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Vickers, you are next, but may I just say that while the Legislature is in session and capable of transacting business, I propose to sign and do sign LB 621, LB 599, LB 595, and LB 471. Senator Vickers, then Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President, members, it is true that we are in session, I'm not sure about the capable of conducting business. The fact of the matter is we are in the process of making certain, as certain as some folks can make, that we get a head of steam up on that locomotive that is going to get on the track to get some certain things done. We are making certain by setting the date early, March 15th, we are making certain by saying only three days the Governor has got to do something, or else we're going to do it for him. It seems rather ridiculous to me, in light of the fact that a lot of people have said this is an important issue, it is one of the most important issues we ought to deal with in this state, and at the same time we are saying we are going to do it in a matter of a month. We are going to have everything done in a month's time, we're going to make certain that those members are appointed quickly, and we're going to get it accomplished, right during the midst of a 60-day session. Now I thought the proposal of a study, and I wasn't going to object to that idea, even though I don't